

**Valuable Resources for Post-Secondary and Career Planning**  
 Prepared by the Emily Carr Secondary School Guidance Department - 2014-2015

<p><b>Guidance Services of York Region</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/Guidance/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/Guidance/Pages/default.aspx</a></p>	<p>The York Region District School Board's <b>Guidance Portal</b> provides a rich bank of information on: Career and Post-Secondary Planning; Alternative Ways of Earning Credits; Transition to Secondary School; Secondary School Curriculum and Programs; Registration and Course Selection Procedures; School boundaries; Registration Information; as well as Study Tips, Exam Preparation, and Health and Well-Being Resources.</p>
<p><b>Community Involvement</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.yorkinfo.ca">www.yorkinfo.ca</a>  <b>Community Information and Volunteer Centre</b></p> <p>In addition, on the table in the Guidance and Career Education Office, you will find a handy list of local contacts for your convenience.</p>	<p><b><u>Community Information and Volunteer Centre,</u></b></p> <p>In case you have not completed your 40 hours, click on 'Opportunities in Vaughan'. Furthermore, always listen to announcements and check our Volunteer table for local opportunities.</p>
<p><b>Career Planning and Creating Pathways to Success</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.careercruising.com">www.careercruising.com</a> ECSS students are directed to sign into the site with their assigned account. The portfolio username for students is yorkxxxxxxxx where xxxxxxxx is the student ID and the password will be the student's birth date using the format mmddyyyy. During the initial log in, students will be instructed to create a personal password. Please keep a copy of that password. All students will start their portfolios from scratch in Career Cruising. Students from Grades 8 through 12+ will perform their course selections through the Course Planner module on the Career Cruising site. <b><u>All course selections will be completed via Career Cruising for current YRDSB students.</u></b> As part of <b><i>Creating Pathways to Success</i></b>, students are encouraged to review their <b>Individual Pathway Plan (IPP)</b> within Career Cruising multiple times a year and in a very intentional way. This will be done twice a year at school and as many times as a student wishes outside of school time.</p>	<p><b><u>Grade 9 -12 Students:</u></b> Your Career Cruising Course Planner has been set up by Emily Carr SS. If you wish to attend a different secondary school, you must apply for a transfer.</p> <p>Username: emilycarr          Password: secondary</p>

<p><b>Government of Canada sponsored programs for Volunteering in Canada and Internationally</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.canadaworldyouth.org/">www.canadaworldyouth.org/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.international.gc.ca">www.international.gc.ca</a></p>	<p><b>Canadian World Youth:</b> A one year intensive International volunteer experience at various locations throughout the world.</p> <p><b>Canadian International Development Agency</b>  <b>Mission:</b> Lead Canada's international effort to help people living in poverty.  <b>Mandate:</b> Manage Canada's support and resources effectively and accountably to achieve meaningful, sustainable results and engage in policy development in Canada and internationally, enabling Canada's effort to realize its development objectives.</p>
<p><b>Overseas Travel and Volunteering Opportunities</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.yrdsb-international.ca/yrdsb/">http://www.yrdsb-international.ca/yrdsb/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/Coop/ICE/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/Coop/ICE/Pages/default.aspx</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.yrdsb-international.ca/sela/">http://www.yrdsb-international.ca/sela/</a></p>	<p><b>ISE – Ontario: International Student Exchanges</b> supported by YRDSB.</p> <p><b>ICE - International Cooperative Education program,</b> placements are in Costa Rica and Ecuador, this is a YRDSB program.</p> <p><b>Summer English Language Academy – SELA</b></p>
<p><b>Employment and Training Opportunities</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.tcu.gov.on.ca/yourfuture/">www.tcu.gov.on.ca/yourfuture/</a></p> <p>Employment Services Providers in York Region  <a href="http://www.yorkworks.ca/">www.yorkworks.ca/</a>  email: <a href="mailto:yorkworks@yrdsb.edu.on.ca">yorkworks@yrdsb.edu.on.ca</a></p> <p>For Jobs in the <b>Woodbridge area</b> contact:  Next Steps Job Developer Ann Mossop  <a href="mailto:ann.mossop@TDSB.on.ca">ann.mossop@TDSB.on.ca</a>  905 851 6551  4585 Hwy 7</p> <p>For Jobs in <b>Vaughan</b> contact:  VPI Ink, Job Matchers</p>	<p><b>Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities:</b> Employment Insurance, Young Workers Awareness Program, Canada Labour Code, Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, and Employment Standards, Career Search Resources, Occupational Descriptions, Current Labour Market Information, and Career-Related Resources, Résumé Writing, The Interview, Cover Letters, Job Search Tips, Employability Skills, and Entrepreneurship</p> <p><b>Yorkworks</b> offers employment services to job seekers and facilitates employers in recruiting, hiring and retaining suitable employees- <b>all at no cost!</b> Sponsored by</p>

	<p>905 764 7538 398 Steeles Ave W Unit 516</p> <p><a href="http://www.costi.org/programs/program_services.php">http://www.costi.org/programs/program_services.php</a></p>	<p>YRDSB.</p> <p><b><u>Youth Employment Services at COSTI</u></b> Includes: Summer Job Services, Mentoring, and Career Assessments through their Accelerate program. Their mandate is to support students once they have graduated. The only service for current high school students is their Summer Job Service.</p>
<p><b>Apprenticeships and Skilled Trades</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.tradeability.ca/">http://www.tradeability.ca/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.apprenticesearch.com/">http://www.apprenticesearch.com/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.findhelp.ca/mtcu/appoff.html">www.findhelp.ca/mtcu/appoff.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/tcu">www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/tcu</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.madewiththetrades.com">http://www.madewiththetrades.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.osca.ca">http://www.osca.ca</a></p>	<p>Although this site is specific to Durham Region, it is a valuable site for general information as well.</p> <p>This site is specific to the Hamilton, Peel-Halton-Dufferin and Kitchener/Waterloo, Niagara and Brant/Branford-Haldimand-Norfolk areas.</p> <p>This site lists contact and location information for the various Apprenticeship Office locations in Ontario.</p> <p>This site includes links to Colleges and other organizations that provide classroom instruction to apprentices.</p> <p>This is a fun and interactive apprenticeship awareness website for the construction sector.</p> <p>This is a comprehensive website with valuable links to Skills Canada, Skills Profiles, case studies, The Red Seal Program, weekly Toronto Sun articles on Apprenticeship and OYAP programs, and a Database of 112 Trades with required high school courses click on the “Student” tab on the homepage</p>

	<p><a href="http://www.careersintrades.ca">www.careersintrades.ca</a></p>	<p>then on the “Apprenticeship” tab for links to sites that address various information about the apprenticeships * These will be available for you to pick up in the Guidance &amp; Career Education Office.</p> <p>This site includes a comprehensive listing of skilled trades.</p>
<p><b>Colleges in Ontario</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.ontariocolleges.ca/ontcol/home/plan/college-map.html">www.ontariocolleges.ca/ontcol/home/plan/college-map.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ontariocolleges.ca">www.ontariocolleges.ca</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ocas.ca/portal/page/portal/OCAS/publications">www.ocas.ca/portal/page/portal/OCAS/publications</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ontariocolleges.ca">www.ontariocolleges.ca</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ocutg.on.ca">www.ocutg.on.ca</a></p>	<p><u>Map of Ontario Colleges</u>; The College Handbook 2014-2015</p> <p>Directory of <u>Ontario Colleges</u>, Program Locator, Ontario College/University Transfer Guide, Bachelor Degree Programs</p> <p><u>College Online Resource for 2014-2015 Applications</u> Includes Important Dates for Programs starting in the Fall of 2015, College Dialogue Booklet 2014, and Online Tutorials for the application process</p> <p><u>College Online Application Site for 2014-2015</u> For admission requirements, click on FIND and then on the specific program website</p> <p><u>Ontario College University Transfer Guide</u> Find out which Colleges and Universities have agreements that allow students to transfer from one to the other</p>
<p><b>Universities in Ontario</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.electronicinfo.ca/universities">http://www.electronicinfo.ca/universities</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.electronicinfo.ca">www.electronicinfo.ca</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ouac.on.ca/docs/101/collab_b.pdf">http://www.ouac.on.ca/docs/101/collab_b.pdf</a></p>	<p><b><u>Listing and Map of Ontario Universities</u></b></p> <p><b>Admission requirements</b> for all Degree programs at all Ontario Universities – click on Programs. Browse by Programs, Universities, or university or OUAC program code.</p> <p>Find collaborative programs offered jointly by</p>

	<p><a href="http://www.ouf.ca">www.ouf.ca</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.pennybissett.org/">http://www.pennybissett.org/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.ocutg.on.ca/">www.ocutg.on.ca/</a></p>	<p>Ontario Universities and Ontario Colleges.</p> <p>Annual <b>Ontario Universities Fair</b>, Metro Toronto Convention Centre</p> <p>Annual <b>International Universities Fairs</b></p> <p><b>Ontario College University Transfer Guide</b> Find out which Colleges and Universities have agreements that allow students to transfer from one to the other.</p>
<p><b>Scholarships, Bursaries, Awards, Loans, OSAP</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.studentawards.com">www.studentawards.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.canlearn.ca">www.canlearn.ca</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.scholarshipscanada.com">www.scholarshipscanada.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.osap.gov.on.ca">www.osap.gov.on.ca</a> Keep in mind that this site will open sometime in April/May 2014 for the September 2015 school year funding. Prior to this time, you will not be able to apply for an OSAP loan. This is done because OSAP is aware that current high school students will not have any definite responses from any post-secondary institution prior to this time. One of the first questions they ask on their application is: Where will you be studying?</p>	<p>Take the test and get matched with Canadian <b>scholarships</b></p> <p>Helping you save, plan and pay for your education.</p> <p>Establish your profile and the program will match you to awards.</p> <p>Ontario Student Assistance Program, <b>OSAP</b>, Student Loans, Eligibility Requirements, Queen Elizabeth II Aiming for the Top Scholarship. For application for Fellowships for Studying in French, click on "Forms".</p>
<p><b>Private Colleges in Ontario</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.ontario.ca/pcc">www.ontario.ca/pcc</a> or call 1 866 410 PCCS</p>	<p>Private colleges in Ontario must meet certain standards to be legally registered. Check to see if the school you are planning to attend is registered, where they are located, and the cost to attend.</p>

<b>SAT's, American Universities, Studying Abroad</b>	Let's Go Global <a href="http://www.letsoglobal.ca">www.letsoglobal.ca</a> Study and Go Abroad Fair <a href="http://www.studyandgoabroad.com">www.studyandgoabroad.com</a> HP Study Life Expo <a href="http://www.studentlifeexpo.com">www.studentlifeexpo.com</a>  <a href="http://www.collegeboard.com">www.collegeboard.com</a> Check posters in Guidance for upcoming test dates.	The annual <b>Go Global Expo</b> usually is held in the same weekend as the Ontario University Fair. Visit this fair for international travel, study, and volunteering.  <b><u>Book Your SAT test dates on this site,</u></b> Our ECSS school code is: <u>826991</u> .
--	--	---